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Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni
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DOCKET NO. 2006-219-C - Windstream South Carolina, Incorporated Request
Certification of the Use of Universal Service Funds Pursuant to 47 C.F.R 54.314 and
Telecommunications Act 254(e) Federal Communications Commission CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) has examined the filing of Windstream South Carolina, Inc. (Windstream) wherein the Company requested the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) to submit a letter to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company certifying that the company is compliant with Section 254 (e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, as amended.

In support of the request, Windstream submitted an affidavit wherein Michael D. Rhonda, Senior Vice President – Wireline Regulatory & Wholesale Affairs certified that the company would use the federal universal service high-cost support received during 2007 only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading facilities and services for which the support is intended.

ORS recognizes that this self-certification process has been sufficient in prior years and does not oppose Windstream's request.

Sincerely,

James M. McDaniel

cc: Jayne T. Eve, Director – External Affairs, Windstream South Carolina, Inc.
Katie Morgan, Director, Telecommunications, Transportation, Water, and
Wastewater, ORS
Florence Belser, General Counsel, ORS

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